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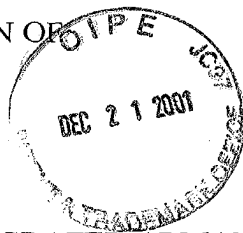
In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

EBIHARA et al.

Appln. No.: 09/803,979

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Title: COMMUTATOR INTEGRATED ARMATURE OF ELECTRIC ROTARY MACHINE



Group Art Unit: 2834

Examiner: G. Perez

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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2001, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

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- I. (Amended) An armature of a rotary electric machine comprising:
a rotary shaft;
an armature core composed of a plurality of laminated sheets through which said shaft is inserted and a plurality of slots at the outer periphery thereof;
an armature coil composed of a plurality of conductor segments having in-slot portions being respectively inserted into said slots; and
a commutator integrated with said armature coil at an end thereof;
wherein said armature core comprises an anchoring portion formed by pressing a portion of said laminated sheets near said commutator for anchoring a part of each of said in-slot portions that correspond to said portion of said laminated sheets to said armature core more strongly than other parts of said in-slot portions.

Please see the attached Appendix for the changes made to effect the above claim.